



**CSM Kim F. Emerling** joined the Army in 1979 and graduated basic training, AIT, and the US Army parachute school at Ft. Benning, Ga. His first assignment was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Bn/75<sup>th</sup> Regiment at Ft. Lewis, WA. In July of 1982, he completed the Special Forces Qualifications Course before proceeding to his second duty assignment with the 10<sup>th</sup> Special Forces Group (A) at Ft. Devens, Mass. Prior to his ETS in 1984, he participated in a six month Mobile Training Team to Lebanon. In 1985, he joined the USAR program, trained as an interrogator and assigned to the 241<sup>st</sup> MI Bn at Hanscom AFB. In 1991, he was activated for 5 months in support of Operation Desert Storm where he worked at 2 enemy prisoner of war (EPW) camps in Saudi Arabia. Upon his return from Desert Storm, he joined the 6<sup>th</sup> Bn (MI-TASS), 98<sup>th</sup> Div (IT). While at the 6<sup>th</sup> Bn he worked as an MI instructor, Course Manager, and operations SGM for all enlisted MI courses.

Appointed to Command Sergeant Major in Oct of 2000, his first assignment was with the 6<sup>th</sup> Bn (MI), 98<sup>th</sup> Div (IT) CSM located at Devens- RFTA, Ayer, Mass. In April of 2004, he assumed CSM responsibilities at the 5<sup>th</sup> Bn (CA), 98<sup>th</sup> Div (IT) in Edison, NJ. In September of 2004, he was mobilized in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom III as part of the 98<sup>th</sup> Division Foreign Army Training Command (FA-TRAC) mission. While mobilized, he worked extensively with the 5<sup>th</sup> Iraqi Army Division command element while it prepared to conduct Counter Insurgency (COIN) Operations on a standalone basis.

Soon after returning from his OIF deployment, he assumed responsibilities as the first CSM of the Combat Agency Support Command at the Military Intelligence Readiness Command. The 1200+ brigade personnel were responsible to satisfy strategic intelligence mission requirements to the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Ground Intelligence Command, the National Security Agency, and other combat commands.

From February 2010 thru April 2013, he was the first CSM for the Army Reserve Operational Activities (AROA). This is the Army reserves premier human intelligence (HUMINT) collection asset. All Soldiers in the command were highly trained and available for rapid deployment in support of the Army Operational Groups worldwide HUMINT collection requirements.

After a brief tenure in the IRR, he was assigned as the National Intelligence Support Group Command Sergeant Major. A 1400+ sized brigade responsible for most of the Army Reserve strategic level military intelligence missions for a variety of national security agencies. In January 2019, he began his last duty assignment for the Army as the first Command Sergeant Major of the newly established 510<sup>th</sup> Regional Support Group of the 7<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Command.

Raised in West Haven, Conn. he now works as the Director of Veteran Services for the city of Salem, Ma. He is married to SGM (R) Catherine Emerling and they have two sons. Jack is a senior at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. and a member of the Army ROTC program and Will, is a junior at Eastern Connecticut State University in Willimantic, Conn.